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Arab summer visit scheme extended

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The spokesman of the Judea and Samaria Command said yesterday that the summer visit scheme, under which citizens of Arab states may come to spend the summer holiday in Israel and the administered territories, will be extended from last year's period of three months to four-and-a-half months. A number of other regulations concerning the scheme, which has developed into a popular annual event attracting a large influx of Arab tourists, have also been liberalized. They include the issuance of three-month travel permits valid also for Israel proper. (Previously only one-month permits were granted, with renewals being granted only for special cases. Travel into Israel was subject to obtaining a special pass.)

This year the scheme will begin on June 1 and last until October 15. In previous years the period was June 15 to September 15. The Command Spokesman stated that, as from today, applications will be accepted from local Arab acquaintances or their relatives and Arabacques abroad, on payment of a I.D.F. application fee. Upon approval, prospective visitors must produce a passport, international inoculation certificate, and two photographs. Special arrangements will be made to ease the entry and exit of visitors, whose numbers are expected to exceed 150,000. Last year 107,000 visitors came from various Arab countries, usually entering over the Allenby or Damya bridges, but with some arriving via Lod Airport from Europe and the Americas.

Syria sees Jordan-U.S. conspiracy

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Syria yesterday accused Jordan's King Hussein of conspiring against Damascus under a U.S. plan said to be aimed at driving the Arabs to fight each other like the Vietnamese. The Syrian government newspaper "Al-Thawra" said editorially that the Jordanian monarch would carry out such a scheme aimed to "Arabize the war" in the Arab homeland on the Vietnam pattern.

On Friday, the Cairo-based Fatah radio claimed that Jordan was concentrating forces along its northern borders with Syria and Iraq, adding that light arms were being distributed among villagers in the area. "Claims of Jordanian designs against Syria followed an allegation to this effect voiced on Friday by Egypt's leading commentator, Mohammed Hasanein Heykal, in his weekly column in "Al-Ahram." Heykal said that Egyptian President Sadat believed that recent U.S. arm supplies to Jordan "were not intended for the liberation of Jerusalem but for the occupation of Damascus."

Heykal quoted Sadat as telling Syrian President Hafez Assad and Libya's Mu'ammer Gaddafi during their summit meeting last month in Cairo that "my feeling is that these weapons are being massed against Damascus." Both Assad and Gaddafi agreed, Heykal said, adding that a Jordanian conquest of Syria would draw a new map for the Middle East "in which Egypt would be totally isolated from the enormously rich eastern part of the region."

Heykal said that the U.S. has supplied Jordan with more than 300 M-60 tanks and about 100 warplanes in the past year for the conquest of Syria. He went on to say that Jordan also received between \$100m. and \$115m. worth of U.S. military hardware such as long-range artillery and troop transport planes.

Cairo's emphasis on Jordan's alleged conspiracies against Syria indicated that Egypt was seeking a way to step up its pledge of support to the terrorist movement in its bid to topple King Hussein's regime. It further indicated that Cairo might consider providing military aid to the terrorists in their struggle against Hussein. Such support to the terrorists was earlier pledged by Libya and Algeria, whose leaders Sadat is due to meet at a summit conference in Algiers early next month.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

A ban on the sale and import of foreign merchandise, from cigarettes and underwear to television sets, perfumes and foodstuffs, will be effective on May 1, Egyptian Minister of Supply and Home Trade, Foad Morsi, said yesterday.

AN LOC GETS REINFORCEMENTS

Key points holding out against Hanoi attacks

SAIGON — The U.S. Air Force yesterday began making airdrops of food and ammunition to the beleaguered defenders of An Loc, and 2,000 more South Vietnamese paratrooper reinforcements were lifted by helicopters to the southern and eastern edges of the contested provincial capital.

While reinforcements landed at An Loc, 96 kms. north of Saigon, relief columns moving overland from three directions to lift the siege of Firebase Bastogne on the far stiff North Vietnamese resistance. Two airdrops of emergency supplies by South Vietnamese planes also failed.

The South Vietnamese defenders began using weapons and ammunition taken from bodies of North Vietnamese assault troops. One giant U.S. Air Force four-engine C130 Hercules transport was nearly shot down, one of its crewmen killed and two others wounded, as it successfully parachuted supplies to An Loc. The plane limped back to Saigon's Tan Son Nhut airport and landed safely with two disabled engines.

Two South Vietnamese helicopters were shot down earlier in an unsuccessful effort to bring in food and ammunition to Firebase Bastogne, which has not been re-supplied for a week. U.S. officers expressed optimism despite the critical situations at An Loc and Bastogne. Communist radio broadcasts claimed, however, that the South Vietnamese forces in An Loc had been "completely destroyed" and the city "liberated."

The broadcasts said Communist forces were now thrusting southward to capture Chon Thanh, a district town 24 kms. south of An Loc on Highway 13. Field reports reaching Saigon at dusk said there was fighting on the southern and western perimeters of the city but they gave no further details.

A U.S. helicopter gunship pilot, Capt. William Leach, who attacked North Vietnamese tanks in the city earlier yesterday, said the Communists did not control the town. He said, "They (the North Vietnamese) are in the northern part of it, but they don't have control of the town."

Field reports said the besieged town was still holding out, although a second mass attack in three days by North Vietnamese troops backed by tanks had presented a grim picture earlier in the day. There are an estimated 5,000 North Vietnamese around An Loc at the moment. More than 7,000 Government forces are known to be inside the town. U.S. aircraft have been actively bombing the attackers. The 15,000-man South Vietnamese relief force — with 40 tanks — have been stalled in trying to reach An Loc.

The column has come under heavy sniper and mortar fire and was last reported to have moved back slightly from positions a few kilometers above Chon Thanh. Elsewhere, Communist troops seized their first South Vietnamese base in the Central Highlands, capturing 40 abandoned and seriously wounded government troops, and closed in on two bases guarding the southern route into Hue.

A rocket attack on Da Nang yesterday—the third in four days—killed two Americans and temporarily knocked out the power supply at the large U.S. base. One rocket just missed the base's main fuel storage area and five other rockets landed at scattered locations.

An earlier attack on Da Nang and suburban Saigon killed 51 civilians and wounded 53 others. American B-52 bombers, taking advantage of clearing skies, flew 20 missions in South Vietnam, many of them within a mile of An Loc. It was the most B-52 missions in one 24-hour period since the Communist offensive began on March 30. Two American air crew members were killed and three wounded on Friday and yesterday by Communist ground fire.

In Cambodia, Communist troops struck within eight kms. of the Cambodian capital of Phnom Penh on Friday night and the Cambodian high command reported yesterday there had been a brief clash outside the satellite town of Takhmau. A Cambodian communique did not report any casualties on either side. It added that the Cambodian position at Preah Prasap, 24 kms. north-east of the capital, and at Paing Kasey, 48 kms. to the south



A crisis battle is going on at An Loc, 96 kms. north of Saigon, where North Vietnamese troops are assaulting the town. South Vietnam relief troops are pinned down north of Chon Thanh. An Loc is completely surrounded and supplies are being airdropped.

west, were hit on Friday night by harassing fire. There were no overnight reports available on the fighting at the town of Kompong Trach, 120 kms. south west of Phnom Penh, where a combined South Vietnamese and Cambodian force has been hit hard in a battle that began during the last week of March. On Friday night the Cambodian army spokesman reported fierce fighting at Kompong Trach.

(AP, Reuters, UPI)

NEW ARMS

AN impressive list of new weapons, now operational with Israel air force, land and naval units, were unveiled here earlier this week. Once exhibited at the Independence Day parades, Israel's new weapons have been presented in the days before Independence Day for the past few years.

The accent is on the word "advanced." The 175-millimetre gun, for instance, qualifies among the latest in design and most effective of artillery pieces of its kind now in service anywhere. Its range, almost uncanny accuracy and mobility (self-propelled units) added to that of the 155-millimetre gun, possession of which was announced last year, have given the Israeli artillery corps an entirely new dimension.

The new stress on artillery indicates new tactical thinking. The big guns for long had a low priority rating on the defence budget. It was difficult to compete with the heavy Soviet guns used by Egypt along the Canal, artillery having long been a Russian specialty. For several years air power was used to silence the guns, until the introduction of the Sam anti-aircraft batteries made this costly. The new guns will be less sensitive to the missiles.

Chief of Staff Elazar has denied that the guns are intended to provide protection in the event of a partial withdrawal. In the event of renewed fighting here will be other work for them.

The new M60 — the latest generation of the battle-tried Patton tank family, which is the mainstay of U.S. armoured units, will add more punch to the Israeli armoured corps units, which already enjoy a distinguished reputation in battle. This will be the first time the army is getting brand new medium tanks.

The only other new tanks ever received by the corps were the French light AMX, which were no match, on paper, for the Soviet built "T" series although they were used successfully against them. The AMXs were basically light reconnaissance tanks. The Israeli armoured corps has so far been built up mainly of light tanks salvaged from European and American military junkyards, and battle prizes.

Neither last nor least is the Hercules C130 — a new conception in air transport, and possibly a major future electronic headache for Egyptian radar and missile units.

In addition, it is reasonable to assume that not every army innovation has been presented to the public and to the enemy. These important arm deliveries are also significant as evidence of the U.S. understanding for Israel arms requirements, in the short-term and the long.

This, as much as the new equipment itself, should be a reason for encouragement. Egypt's war breaths were never so strident as when President Sadat believed that he had succeeded in topping U.S. arms supplies to Israel, while Egypt's own war materiel from the U.S.S.R. was continuing to pour in.

It seems as if for once Israel, by sheer obstinacy, persuaded the Americans and perhaps a larger segment of the Western world than is willing to admit this at present, of an ultimate identity of interests. The repeated statements by Israeli leaders as well as political leaders that we do not want Americans or, for that matter, any foreign soldiers to safeguard our borders, let alone fight for us, may also have proved to be a convincing argument.

On a more immediate level, this is the time to count our blessings, among the first of which is almost two years of peace-fire on the Canal and the knowledge — said as it may be — that every contribution to Israel's deterrent image is likely to help prolong this state of war.

Tension high on Iran-Iraq border

By ANAN SAFADI
Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter
Iran and Iraq were involved in a border confrontation over the weekend which threatened to erupt into a large-scale clash between the two countries, those relations have been strained for years.

Iran yesterday accused Iraq of border attacks which were said to have taken place throughout the past week on various Iranian frontier posts. Iraq for its part yesterday declared it has alerted its armed forces.

The Iranian official "Pars" news agency said yesterday that troops of both countries had been engaged in sporadic fighting during which the Iraqis attacked six border posts between Ghasser Shirin and Natti Shah in western Iran.

The agency said that Iraqi "aggression" began last Monday when the Iraqis kidnapped three Iranian gendarmes near Natti Shah while attempting to take over a police post in the area neighbouring the Iraqi oil town of Khamanin, north-east of Baghdad. The Iraqi attacks, supported by guns and tanks, lasted until Friday, the agency said.

The Iraqis said one of their villagers was wounded and houses were damaged. The Iraqis said one of their soldiers and two policemen were wounded. Both sides said that they beat off each other's forces.

The Iraqi attacks on the Iranian border posts occurred after Iraq signed a cooperation pact last Sunday with the Soviet Union.

The Iraqi-Soviet treaty has sparked

ed concern in the region and especially so in Teheran. Iran has been in conflict with Baghdad on a number of issues including the southern Shatt al-Arab waterway and two Persian Gulf islands which Iran took over recently despite claims over them by two Arab Emirates.

On Friday Libya withdrew its ambassador from Baghdad in protest against the Soviet pact and also requested Iraq to withdraw its ambassador from Tripoli.

Criticizing Libya for the move, Kuwait's leading daily said in an editorial that the Libyan decision to withdraw its ambassador from Baghdad was "just not understandable." "Why Baghdad, why not Cairo," the paper asked, while wondering why Libya failed to express its concern when its major ally, Egypt, signed a similar treaty with the Soviet Union last year.

Meanwhile, Syria, Libya's third partner in a federation with Egypt, was yesterday reported to have rejected a Soviet offer to sign a pact similar to that signed with Egypt and Iraq.

The pro-Egyptian Beirut "Al-Muharrir" newspaper said yesterday that the Syrian government has in the past few months "rejected more than once requests by the Soviet Union for the conclusion of a treaty."

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Tanzania downs Portuguese warplane

DAR ES SALAAM — Tanzania yesterday accused the Portuguese authorities in neighbouring Mozambique of a bombing attack on a southern village on Friday after a Portuguese military plane was shot down by Tanzanian ground fire.

A government statement here said yesterday one Tanzanian soldier was killed and another wounded in a raid by 13 Portuguese aircraft, which attacked the border village of Kitaya, 432 kms. south of here.

The plane shot down was stated to have been one of two which had earlier crossed from Mozambique. It crashed on the Tanzanian side of the Ruvuma River, which forms the border.

The Portuguese High Command in Lourenco Marques, Mozambique, confirmed that one of their planes had been shot down. A communique issued yesterday said: "Today at six a.m. one of the air force planes which was patrolling over national territory along the Ruvuma River in Cabo Delgado was shot down by anti-aircraft fire from Tanzania. The pilot, Capt. Hugo Assuncao Ventura, disappeared and must have lost his life. Since the wreck of the aircraft has not been found, it is presumed to have fallen into the Ruvuma River."

Tanzania's southern frontier is a key dividing line with white-ruled southern Africa, especially for the anti-Portuguese guerrillas of the Front for the Liberation of Mozambique (Frelimo), who have their headquarters here. There have been frequent reports in the past of border violations by Portuguese planes, some of them dropping leaflets calling on Frelimo forces to surrender.

The southern border is a strict security area where Tanzanian defence forces man anti-aircraft batteries.

Meanwhile, President Idi Amin of Uganda has offered Tanzania "every possible assistance" in defending itself against violations by Portuguese armed forces in Mozambique. Gen. Amin, whose troops have had armed clashes with Tanzanian forces after Uganda ex-President Milton Obote took refuge in Tanzania, said in a telegram sent last night to Tanzanian President Julius Nyerere: "I send my congratulations to the Tanzanian people's defence forces for having shot down the imperialist reconnaissance plane."

Report out today on Netivei Neft

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Witkon Commission report on the Netivei Neft affair will be submitted to the Cabinet this morning and then released for public consumption. The report, ordered by the Cabinet in November last year, will reflect conclusions drawn up by the three Commission members, Justice A. Fred Witkon, Ahuf (res.) Meir Zorea and Mr. Avraham Kahir.

They spent four months hearing testimony concerning the state of affairs at the Sinai oil fields, and specifically dealing with the management of the company by its general manager, Mr. Mordechai Friedman.

It is reliably learned that the report contains a minority opinion filed by one of the members. It is also understood the report expresses strong reservations about the value of the evidence presented by witnesses who testified against Mr. Friedman.

Nixon adviser here for week

LOD AIRPORT. — One of President Nixon's top economic advisers arrived in Israel yesterday bringing a special message from the American Chief Executive to Prime Minister Golda Meir.

Mr. Herbert Stein, chairman of the U.S. Council of Economic Advisers, told newsmen the note conveyed the President's good wishes to Israel on its 24th anniversary. He declined to give an indication of the remainder of its contents.

He is the guest of Mr. Moshe Sarbar, Governor of the Bank of Israel, and will stay here a week. On Monday, Mr. Stein will address senior officials of the bank on problems of inflation in the U.S. economy.

Besides seeing Mrs. Meir and Mr. Sarbar, he will also meet Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir. He said his talks would centre on U.S. and Israeli economic problems, but he declined to disclose whether they were concerned with any Israeli requests for additional credit on further purchases of U.S. military products.

Leeds in Cup Final

LONDON (UPI). — Leeds United yesterday qualified for their second A. Cup Final in three years in losing past Second Division Birmingham City 3-0 at Sheffield. But must wait another four days before knowing its opponents in the 56th glamour game at Wembley which marks the centenary of the competition.

Arsenal, last year's winners of the Cup and League, were held 1-1 by Stoke City in the other semi-final at Birmingham.

Arabs stop Brussels Jewish meeting

BRUSSELS (ENA). — Some 50 Arab students on Friday broke up a meeting organized by the Belgian Federation of Jewish Students with participation of Israeli Ambassador Moshe Alon. The Arabs, many students, shouted slogans such as "Palestine shall win" and "Israel is Fascist."

Several dozen non-Arab left-wing students joined the Arabs and forced the Ambassador and the other Israeli members to leave the hall. A meeting was held at Brussels University.

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Social and Personal

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The Ambassador of Norway, Mr. Peter Graver, met with Mayor Teddy Kolek Thursday.

The J.N.F. world chairman and Mrs. Ya'acov Tsur yesterday held a reception at their home in Jerusalem...

Sheikh Mohammed Ali Ja'abari, Mayor of Hebron, visited Ramle Friday on the occasion of the Nebi Saleh holiday...

Dr. Heinz Artzt, Chief State Prosecutor at the Centre for Prosecution of Former Nazis in Ludwigsburg, Germany, yesterday visited the Hebrew University...

The American author Max I. Dimont visited the Technion on Friday and was received by Mr. Carl Alpert...

Dr. Jurgen Sudhoff, Cultural Attaché of the German Embassy, Tel Aviv, visited Bar-Ilan University on Thursday.

Dr. Robert Resnick of the Boston Inter-Hospital Liver Group, Lemuel Shattuck Hospital, Boston, will lecture on "A Medical View of Surgery in Liver Disease" today...

A programme carrying a message of Yad Labanaim, a voluntary organization which aids families of fallen soldiers...

The Executive of the Israel-Swiss Friendship Association announces the appointment of Dr. Avraham Neuman...

A tour of Ghana and Kenya in slides and films will be shown by Prof. Max Donbrow at the Wizo Club...

Fashionable Furs — of course at Rosen's Fur Salon, 72 Allenby Rd., Tel Aviv, Tel. 615990. Open all day.

Mauritius, Peking to establish ties

TOKYO (AP). — China and Mauritius have agreed to establish diplomatic relations at the ambassadorial level...

THE HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM Department of French Language and Literature extends its sincerest condolences to

JANINE CHEVILLARD on the death of her MOTHER

A memorial meeting and unveiling of the tombstone for our beloved Dr. AHARON ZUR (Zuckerberg)

will take place tomorrow, Monday, April 17, 1972, at the Kiryat Shaul cemetery, Tel Aviv...

On the first anniversary of the death of my beloved husband HUGO ZENTNER

We will visit his gravesite at the Bat Yam-Holon cemetery on Tuesday, April 18, 1972, at 2.30 p.m.

The World WIZO Executive mourns the passing of Dr. Ben-Zion (Ben Hillel) Kadoury

In deep sorrow we announce the death of Dr. BEN-ZION KADOURY

Managing Director of Museum Haaretz Our deep-felt sympathy to the bereaved family.

The Members of the Tel Aviv-Yafo (South) Rotary Club

We mourn the death of JANE ELYACHAR and extend our condolences to Col. J. R. Elyachar

In deep sorrow we announce the death of our beloved brother Robert Werner of Manchester (Kfayim)

THE FRIENDS OF MUSEUM HAARETZ.

12 dead in 'internal war' with Tupamaros in Uruguay

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay (AP). — Street battles that erupted on Friday between leftist Tupamaros guerrillas and government forces left 12 persons dead...

Eight Tupamaros were killed in ensuing gun battles with police and soldiers. They include Antonio Candan Grajales, the Tupamaro tactician who only last Wednesday made a tunnel escape with 24 other prisoners from Punta Carreras penitentiary.

President Juan M. Bordaberry, requested Congress to declare a state of internal war and suspend all constitutional rights. The measure was passed by a 97-21 margin...

CAPITAL SHAKEN — The capital was shaken during the night by shooting at Communist Party headquarters and at the women's jail, where about 40 Tupamaros suspects are held. No new casualties were reported...

Anti-Israel propaganda in 'Sovietish Heimland'

LONDON (INA). — The Moscow Yiddish monthly "Sovietish Heimland," a government publication edited by Aaron Vergelis, is increasingly being used as a vehicle for anti-Israel and anti-Jewish propaganda.

In Israel, which is ruled by the Zionists, all ideological and propaganda media are geared to the struggle against Communist ideology, and against the Soviet Union and against the national liberation movements.

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Joseph Braginsky, associate member of the Academy of Sciences of the Tadzhik Soviet Republic, a Jew, says that "the Zionists are clinging to the absurd idea of a chosen people, and of Kol Yisroel Ezerem, which denies the existence of society."

Academician Mark Mittin writes: "The World Zionist Organization, with its centres in New York and Jerusalem, has branches in 60 countries. It acts against the international Communist movement and against the movements of national liberation."

Esther Markish made repeated attempts to secure an exit visa to go together with her son David. A number of international bodies, Jewish and non-Jewish, pleaded with the Soviet authorities to let her go, but to no avail.

NIXON IN BRIEF CANADA VISIT

OTTAWA (AP). — President Nixon wrapped up his 40-hour visit to Canada yesterday by signing a co-operative blueprint for cleaning up the chain of Great Lakes along the U.S.-Canadian border.

Lebanese to polls today

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter — Tight security measures were imposed over the weekend in northern Lebanon in preparation for today's first stage parliamentary vote to the country's 99-member Chamber of Deputies.

Over half a million voters go to polls in the province of Beirut and the northern region today for the election of 36 deputies. The second stage will be held in southern Lebanon on April 23, while the third and last stage will take place in the province of Mount Lebanon on April 30.

The parliamentary election is reported to have sparked off tension throughout Lebanon as voters appear to be divided between Christian and Moslem, Lebanese nationalists and pan-Arabists, and between left and right.

Chinese beat U.S. ping-pong team by 5-1

DETROIT, Michigan (UPI). — The Chinese touring table tennis team defeated the U.S. team on Friday night, 5-1 in front of the largest crowd ever to witness the sport in the U.S., 10,221 persons.

First Scottish quints born

BANGOUR, Scotland (AP). — The first quintuplets born in Scotland and their mother were reported yesterday to be "all fine at the moment" at Bangour General Hospital near Edinburgh.

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TOKYO (AP). — Japan will lift a ban on the import of citrus fruit from Israel next month. Informal sources said yesterday.

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HIMALAYA AVALANCHE KILLS 15

KATMANDU, Nepal (UPI). — An avalanche hurled tons of snow, ice and rock from a Himalayan peak onto an expedition of climbers as they slept last Monday, killing 15 of the 18 members, a survivor said here yesterday.

Black Muslim mosque N.Y. cop shot in

NEW YORK (AP). — One policeman was shot and two others beaten and stomped on Friday inside a Black Muslim mosque in Harlem, lured there by a false appeal for help.

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Top: The Czech-built 130 mm. rocket launcher in action. One shell leaves the launcher as another speeds to its target. These weapons, captured in the Six Day War, have been modified and adopted by the Israel Defence Forces.

The Haifa Social and Integration Committee of the SOUTH AFRICAN ZIONIST FEDERATION invites all former Southern African settlers to a YOM HA'ATZMAUT PICNIC to be held on Wednesday, April 19, at the Akzio Camping Ground (main road from Nahariya to Rosh Hanikra) from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

MORE MIGHT FOR I.D.F.

By ZEE'EV SCHUL

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

TEL AVIV.—A large new turbo-prop transport plane for the Israel Air Force, a new battle tank for the Armoured Corps and Czechoslovakian-made 130 mm. rocket launchers are included in this year's "anniversary surprises," unveiled by the army spokesman on Friday. These are in addition to the 175 mm. gun, the M-107, unveiled by the army earlier last week.

The new battle tank—the M-60—is probably the most important of the new acquisitions. It is an improved version of the famous U.S. Patton family.

Its distinguishing features include infra-red instrumentation for night-time reconnaissance and gun-laying. This system is an additional means of giving the tanks around-the-clock combat worthiness. The infra-red illumination system provides the tank commander and gunner with night vision up to a range of 2,000

metres (varying in accordance with the terrain).

The silhouette, and the turret in particular, has more oblique angles providing added protection. The front armour plating is also thicker than in earlier Patton models. The two machineguns fitted onto the commander's cupola include a heavy 12.7 mm. gun, the M-85, which has two firing systems (rapid and slow). The other is a coaxial 7.62 mm. mounted to the right side of the standard 105 mm. gun.

The M-60 can cross water obstacles up to a final depth of 4.11 metres (with a special snorkel fitting) or 1.22 metres without one. Advance preparations for the submerged crossing are minimal.

The combat weight of the tank is 48 tons. The length, with gun, is 9.40 metres and its height 3.28 metres. The tank can cover an unrefuelled 350 kms.—that is, a dawn-to-dusk range. It is powered by a 750 h.p. diesel engine and has a maximum cruising speed of 48 k.p.h. In comparison with the Soviet T-55, the main battle tank of the Egyptians, and even the T-62, the M-60 comes off fairly well. It can carry more ammunition (a very important consideration)—carrying 63 against the 44 and 45 shells respectively; it has an optical range-finder (none on the Russian tanks) and its speed and overall combat range are comparable to that of the Russian tanks.

The 105 mm. gun is a match for the 100 mm gun installed on the T-55, and the 115 mm. installed on the T-62.

On the other hand, the Russians still have an advantage in so far as the silhouette of the tank is concerned. Theirs is an impressively low 2.40 metres against the 3.23 of the Patton family. Then again, the Russians pay for this added safety factor in terms of comfort. Driving the Russian tanks is a supreme strain, especially under the climatic conditions prevailing in this part of the world. The M-60 does not carry stabilizers, which would have enabled them to shoot while on the move (the Soviet tanks are equipped with these devices).

The Hercules C-130E multi-purpose plane

Well over 1,000 models of this sturdy, proven type have been turned out by Lockheed since line production started about 10 years ago. The plane has many possible applications. For landing, it requires only a short runway (650 metres) not necessarily surfaced and it can take off again in under 850 metres. It is fitted for fast loading and unloading, and it can carry either 92 passengers, 64 fully-equipped paratroopers or 74 stretcher cases—or alternatively to all these a load of 20,500 kgs.

The price tag: about \$4m. Its four Allison T-56A15 turbo-prop engines push the plane along at an impressive 590 k.p.h. top cruising speed. Absolute ceiling is 33,000 feet and it can get there at a steep-

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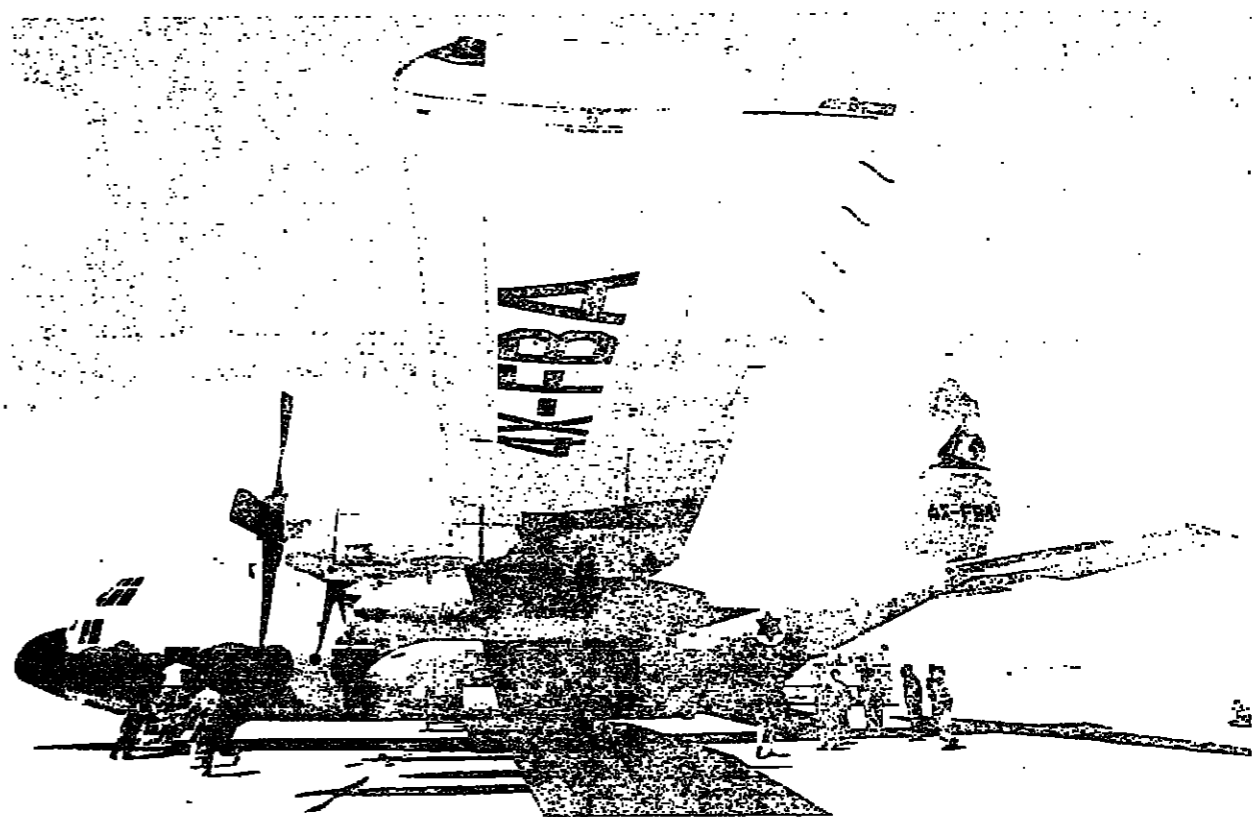
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angled 1,900 feet per minute. Its maximum operation range is 2,400 nautical miles (over 4,000 kms.) and up to 5,000 nautical miles (approx. 9,000 kms.) on ferrying missions.

The wing span is 40.44 metres, length is 30 metres and it stands 11.66 metres high. It normally carries a crew of four.

In addition to its conventional assignments as a transporter, the Hercules has a wide range of other possible functions. It can be used for ground support as a gunship, a flying tanker and as an airborne command post. Last, and by a long shot not the least, it is also capable of carrying unmanned aircraft of the types used in electronics interference missions, such as operating against missile belts and or reconnaissance assignments or interference with enemy radar, hence the "E" tagged on to the C-130. According to the Observer's Book of Aircraft, 1971 edition, the "E," "C" and "G" versions of the C-130 come equipped with what the book calls "special electronics." No additional details are given.

In addition to their special assignments, the C-130s will come as a welcome reinforcement to the fleet of vintage Stratocruisers and other ancient nos serving with the transport squadrons of the I.A.F.

The 130 mm. rocket launcher

Substantial quantities of these launchers, mounted on Czechoslovakian "Praga" trucks, were captured during the Six Day War (especially on the Golan Heights). They have been overhauled and are now back in use with I.D.F. units.

The rockets, or Katyushas, as they are familiarly known, are in addition to the 250 mm. types also now in service with the I.D.F. Each truck carries 22 rockets mounted on dispatch rails. The rockets are propelled by solid fuel and they can be fired either singly or in a volley. The overall weight of the truck plus a reserve of another 34 rockets—66 in all—is close to 10 tons. The contraption is staffed by a crew of four, including driver.

Each rocket weighs 24.3 kg. of which the exploding warhead accounts for about 7 kg.

The range (max.) is 8.2 kms., at which a volley spreads over a "killing radius" of some 300 metres.

It takes five to seven minutes to reload the rails and ready the launcher for another firing. The launching truck can cover an un-refuelled range of some 350 kms.

Above: The Hercules C-130E transport aircraft built by Lockheed in the U.S. gives a much weightier punch to the Israel Air Forces' transport arm.

Top: The latest and most powerful of the American-built Patton series of battle tanks—the M-60. Some of its special equipment and armament is laid out in front of the tank. (Rubiner photos)

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Pension plans under fire

THE recent strike by Delek employees was relatively minor, but it was also peculiar. It was not — properly speaking — directed against the company. Neither did the strikers demand a wage increase or improved working conditions. The dispute revolved about the use of the money accruing monthly for the employees' old-age pensions.

The company's management — pressed by the Clerks' Union — wants to channel the money to one of the Histadrut's pension funds. The employees, however, would like to dispose of the money in another manner, i.e. by and large, to enter into individual agreements with insurance companies for one of the numerous pension schemes they offer. Thus the strike was actually directed against the Histadrut's handling of its members' pension interests. It was a vote of no-confidence in the Histadrut-affiliated pension funds.

The details of this particular strike do not matter; nor does the outcome. But the strike served a purpose by drawing public attention to the massive problem of providing adequate income for old age, and to the divergent views on how to solve this problem.

Tempers rise

The fact is that concern for old age security is in a poor state in Israel, and the public prefers to overlook this. Two decades ago the Government established the National Insurance system, which was hailed as the beginning of a "comprehensive welfare state." But today National Insurance pensions amount to only 14 per cent of the average wage. The pensions do not provide a decent living even for oldersters among the underprivileged groups. Of the necessity to expand that coverage, or to supplement it by other schemes, there is no doubt. But tempers rise when the question of doing this arises.

Why should not the matter be entrusted to the Histadrut pension funds, with their experience and impressive machinery? The Delek strikers have demonstrated one reason. They feel that the terms offered by these funds are worse than those of the alternative schemes. But this is not universally true, since because much depends upon individual circumstances, as is usually the case with insurance. But experts confirm that, basically, they are right, owing to the peculiarities of our taxation system, which taxes pension income but not lump-sum severance pay. The Histadrut funds insist on incorporating the severance pay (i.e. the employer's contribution to a severance pay fund) in the pension scheme. The employee is thus ensured of getting the severance pay even if he is never fired, but he is penalized by the income tax regulations. On the other hand, he may

improve his position by a contrary procedure, one that turns all the provident contributions into insurance premiums in order to purchase an eventual tax-free and inheritable capital fund for a worker's retirement years.

But this is not the end of the story. The pension funds are criticized also for another reason. Experts claim that in order to attract unwilling members the funds are prone to "improve" their eventual pension rights beyond their actual financial resources. They question the actuarial soundness of the funds' pension schemes, warning that while their revenue may be enough to cover their liabilities on the short run, it may prove inadequate in the longer run unless, of course, pensions are reduced or contributions raised, neither of which is likely to be popular.

This warning is usually dismissed by pointing to the rapid growth of the funds, which tends to rejuvenate their membership and to increase their revenue potential more than their pension liabilities.

But what if the members start to revolt and to look for alternative schemes? This erosion process is already noticeable. A girl getting married or a woman about to have a child often uses the opportunity for getting severance pay even though she may then start anew with reduced rights.

The same happens when a man changes his job — and is often the reason for such a change. An increasing number of senior employees are joining special insurance schemes worked out for them.

And now comes the Delek affair. It is at this point that the almost pension law would come to the rescue of the funds by making membership in them compulsory for all wage-earners. But in view of the objections, is this the right thing? To be sure, a change in the income tax rules concerning pensions and severance lump-sums has been recommended by the Asher Committee, but like all its other recommendations it is still in abeyance. Moreover, once membership in pension funds is made obligatory, the Government must assume responsibility for their operations, investments, financial soundness, etc.

However, the controls provided for in the draft law — as far as they have been leaked to the public — are both loose and awkward, and do not augur a new departure from the current situation in which the funds are virtually free to do as they like as long as they comply with the respective investment schedules. Indeed, grave doubts have been expressed about the actuarial soundness of the law's insurance outline.

For all their expansion, the Histadrut pension funds still embrace only about 35 per cent of the wage-earners. Another 15 per cent — mainly those employed in the public sector — are covered by budgetary pensions to which they need not contribute by deductions from their salaries, but which they lose

when changing job). Thus one-half of the wage-earners are assured of pensions up to 70 per cent of their last salary plus the national old-age insurance due to everybody, putting them in a fairly comfortable position (and allowing them to aspire to an even better one).

But the other half of the wage-earners has no provisions for old age except the meagre national insurance. And the situation is perhaps worse with the self-employed.

Can this mass of people, most of them in the lower income brackets, who do not currently provide for old age (besides the compulsory National Insurance) be forced into the present-type pension funds (or similar bodies for the self-employed) by a stroke of the pen, obliging them to save 8 to 10 per cent of their income, tantamount to raising their income tax by one-third to one-half. Alternatively, where will the money come for the old-age pensions for these newcomers?

In case of need

Is not a gradual advance preferable, starting with pensions (additional to those of the National Insurance) smaller than granted by the Histadrut's funds, but also involving lesser contributions from the new provident savers? Should not the intended expansion of compulsory insurance be accompanied by a reappraisal of the actuarial position of the present funds with an eye to making them truly balanced without the need to resort to state support in case of need?

Should not the minimum old-age pensions be provided first and foremost by increasing those of the National Insurance Institute, even though this would require raising the contributions involved? How much can we — the different groups of people, and the Israel economy — afford to save for old age, and how big should the pensions be in accordance with that saving volume? Or how much must all of us save to provide for the pensions?

These are only a few of the basic questions which must be asked — and answered — once we are going to reform old-age insurance. An individual may make up his mind to save more or less for the rainy day, and to choose the kind of scheme which he feels is best.

But if saving is made compulsory, it must be linked to some pension, or other programme. And the liabilities involved must be dovetailed with the planned revenue.

It does not help to saying that "we guarantee every man aged 65, and every woman aged 60 a lifelong pension at the rate of 70 per cent of his or her last earned income," (plus linkage to an eventual rise of his past union rate, etc.), if we do not make clear who is going to foot the bill: the would-be pensioners themselves (by their savings plus accrued interest)? the next generation of pension fund members? or the taxpayers backing their guarantee?

The percentage of elderly people in Israel is now double that of 1948. In the 'eighties the number of pensioners may be more than one-third of the working population. In order to carry a non-productive group of such a size, care must be taken to balance the production and consumption total.

It is a problem concerning everybody, not only pension fund managers and insurance brokers.

Business and Finance

Cafes, bars, tourists —

East Germany is growing up

By NEAL ASCHERSON (Ofms.)

"It is the stronger Germany, and it will devour the other one," pronounced de Gaulle. He was referring not to the Federal Republic, the industrial success fable of the Western world, but to the German Democratic Republic.

De Gaulle, who in public affected to ignore the GDR as a sort of political cartographer's mistake, was talking in private to one of his henchmen who had just returned from East Germany and delivered a long report on what he had seen.

De Gaulle, who loved to personalize nations, found West Germany a little too soft-centred, a trifle too inclined, for his taste, to defer to an American scowl. No doubt he was wrong to see the GDR as a sort of cannibal: the tough little republic of 17 millions is not yet likely to swallow the 50 million West Germans, although its leaders live in the firm faith that German capitalism is, in the long run, doomed.

But if East Germany is not yet the stronger, it is becoming impressively strong. East Berlin, for so long a bleak and ruinous exhibit for Western bus tours prepared for evidence of the utter failure of Communism, has suddenly begun to grow. The old popular centre of the city, the Alexanderplatz, has emerged as a slightly self-conscious piece of urban planning which has many astonished and impressed West Berliners, visiting East Berlin this Easter for the first time for six years. The Radio Tower, a slender concrete needle impaling a globe-shaped restaurant on its point, stands over a paved pedestrian expanse the size of a small airfield.

Large department stores and the tower block of the Hotel Stadt-Berlin, with its ancillary restaurants and cafes and bars, surround the open space. In the middle there is an ambitious fountain edged, on any day chattering like staircases, or passing an cigarette reverentially from hand to hand in the vain hope that it will conjure up the effects of marijuana.

Every weekend and every holiday since January, small flocks of brown and blue buses come bouncing down the Karl-Marx-Allee and park near the department stores. Out climb

crowds of men and women tugging children along with one hand and clutching empty bags in the other. It is the Poles, coming shopping. At the beginning of the year, the frontiers went down between East Germany and Poland, allowing citizens of each country to travel freely without visas and almost without customs duties.

Counter signs are in Polish and so are the announcements of the day's best buy coming over the loudspeakers. Some East Germans resent the visitors, claiming that they are cleaning the shops out. Others, perhaps wiser, suggest that they are doing the GDR a favour by snapping up stocks of goods which no longer interest the Germans but have been overproduced without regard for the market.

East Germans travelling east across the Oder bridges are even more numerous than Poles busking west to Berlin. They go for cheap Polish petrol, fresh farm produce and French cosmetics.

The new East German Party leader, Erich Honecker, succeeded Walter Ulbricht almost a year ago. He is presiding over a difficult situation for the GDR, which is at once promising and threatening: the slow improvement of relations with West Germany which will end, if all goes well, with the admission of 50th German States into the United Nations. The Honecker policy is to combine internal and external concessions with a certain tightening of ideological discipline.

On the concession side, there have been the frontier openings, not only from West Berlin and with Poland, but also with Czechoslovakia (soon further agreements will abolish the need for East Germans to have Rumanian visas). Old-age pensions are to be raised, rents for new apartments are being lowered, and further assistance is being given to the families.

At the same time, there is a new insistence on ideological vigilance, and the West Germans are being warned that normal and even neighbourly relations will not mean that the GDR ceases to regard the Federal Republic as an "imperialist State." Whatever de Gaulle may have sensed in the far future, it is the GDR at present which is ensuring that it will not be devoured by the West.

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RECEIVERS OF THE COMPANY

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 - Leasehold rights to land and buildings situated at 145 Rehov Yaffo, Haifa, Block 10826, Parcel 607.
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 - Rights to land known as Block 6711, Parcels 31-35, Temporary Site No. 327, having an area of 7,690 sq.m., situated at Yahud on which there are buildings being used as a motor garage (hereinafter referred to as "the Property").
 - The Property is owned by Shivuk Mutzaref Autocars Limited, and the undersigned are acting as Receivers of the above buildings and land offered for sale.
 - The above buildings are used as a garage for the repair of vehicles within the scope of the business of the Leyland-Yahud Central Garage Ltd. (hereinafter — "The Garage Co.") and the undersigned are also acting as Receivers and Managers of The Garage Co. by order of the District Court of Tel Aviv-Yafo of 2.11.1971.
 - The business of The Garage Co. is also for sale in accordance with the advertisement in this newspaper under a separate heading.
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LAW'S ATTITUDE TO CONFESSION

(Continued from last Thursday)

Justice Kister, in concurring that the appeal should be allowed, Justice Kister said that he found it difficult to reconcile himself to the idea that plea bargains and the institution of "State's witnesses" are accepted customs in Israel. However, he conceded that until such time as the Golden Age should arrive these customs serve a practical and useful purpose and cannot be completely discredited, despite their unjust and unethical nature. In particular, he was prepared to reconcile himself to the practice of plea bargaining which he found much less distasteful and unjust than the practice of letting a person off scot-free because he has turned State's witness.

Turning to the particular issue at stake in the present case, Justice Kister said that in the absence of any provision of law making it incumbent upon the courts to hand down the sentence demanded by the prosecution, and no other sentence, the courts were at liberty to use their discretion, while striving to achieve justice and equality in the imposition of punishment. However, as the general tendency of the courts is to treat the prosecution's request for a light sentence with respect and consideration, on the assumption that the State Attorney's office and the police, who are in charge of the war against crime, know their job, they will generally accede to a request to refrain from dealing harshly with an offender in the absence of any special reasons militating against this.

Further, Justice Kister, it is the practice of the courts to deal lightly with an offender who has admitted his guilt at an early stage of the trial, and has co-operated with the police, even in the absence of any request to this effect on the part of the prosecution; and this practice of leniency towards such an offender applies equally if his admission and cooperation with the police result from genuine repentance or from non-altruistic motives.

It can be said, in general, continued Justice Kister, that when an accused admits to part of the charges against him and the prosecution sees fit to waive the rest, the courts will react favourably, as they are entitled to assume that the police and the prosecution are not interested in allowing offenders to escape their just punishment, and must, therefore have had their doubts as to their ability to prove the charges they had waived or have had other good reasons for waiving them. However, in order to conform with the adjuration that it were far better to release one thousand offenders than to punish one innocent man, the courts must be most wary of an admission made on the strength of an agreement between the accused and the pro-

In the Supreme Court Sitting As Court of Criminal Appeals
Before Justices Landau, Cohn and Kister.
Eliahu Bachmutsky, Appellant, v. State of Israel, Respondent (Cr.A. 532/72).

The Jerusalem Post
LAW REPORT
Edited by Doris Lankin
SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 1972
RULING ON PLEA BARGAINING

secution, lest it lead to the conviction of an innocent man who has falsely incriminated himself.

In so far as the attitude of Jewish law to the question of confessions is concerned, continued Justice Kister, in contradistinction to the important role which confessions play in other systems of law, (leading at some periods even to the practice of torture in order to extract a confession) Jewish law has always maintained that a man may not be found guilty or punished on the strength of his admission only — an attitude towards self-incrimination which has earned the attention of the United States Supreme Court (see *Miranda v. Arizona*, 1966, and *Garrity v. N.J.*, 1967).

In the light of this tradition of Jewish law, held Justice Kister, it is clear that the courts of Israel can most certainly not convict an accused on the basis of an admission of guilt (even if delivered in the court itself) made on the strength of an agreement with the prosecution, unless the accused has been warned that the agreement is not binding upon the court and has been given an opportunity to reconsider it. He would not express any opinion, he concluded, on exactly how this should be done, wishing only to observe that the procedure set out by Justice Cohn was not obligatory and that the prosecution and the courts are entitled to act as they deem fit as long as the above result is attained.

Justice Landau

Justice Landau was also of the opinion that the appeal should be allowed.

In setting out his reasons for this conclusion he said, *inter alia*, that the question of whether an admission made in consequence of an agreement with the prosecution was given freely and voluntarily, or not, was not his main concern, particularly when the accused had the services of an advocate whose duty it was to explain to him the meaning and significance of his acts. For, truth to tell, he continued, it is the accused who is usually the main benefactor from plea bargaining, while the concept of pure justice is the loser which concerned him a good deal more. The consequence of plea bargaining is generally, Justice Landau went

on to explain, that the accused gets off more lightly than he deserves. For the prosecution will often agree to change the offence with which the accused is charged from a more to a less serious one, or to drop some of the charges against him, or to refrain from asking the court for a heavy sentence, only because in that way he will save the time of the court and public money by persuading the accused not to pursue an unjustified "not guilty" plea. On other occasions, an accused may succeed in making a deal with the prosecution in exchange for informing against other accused or for providing the police with information leading to the arrest of other offenders. It is needless to state, he continued, that this system of bargaining is most distasteful and that in an ideal society the prosecution should seek to bring an offender to trial for all the crimes he is suspected of having committed and, if found guilty, he should be punished for all of them. For behind-the-scenes transactions culminating in a culprit's receiving less than his due were bound to create the impression that there had been "string-pulling" somewhere or other; and when the offender's liberty is bought at the price of informing on others, this entails the risk, as formulated by the District Court, of encourag-

ing potential offenders to take a chance on breaking the law in the knowledge that they could always escape punishment by informing on their partners in crime.

However, continued Justice Landau, as we do not live in an ideal society there is no point in being too sanctimonious about plea bargaining, particularly since it does very often redound to the benefit of the public, in that it results in a saving of time and money and in getting a conviction against offenders who might otherwise have got off scot-free. But he agreed with his colleagues that certain reservations should be observed in the course of reluctantly accepting this necessary evil. Amongst these reservations should be the firm understanding that the courts can never be a party to any deals between the accused and the prosecution; and the necessity of informing the court of the existence of any deals so as to enable it to distinguish between an altruistic request to deal leniently with an accused and one based on an agreement to do so, and afford it an opportunity to warn the accused that deals are not binding upon the courts.

On the other hand, concluded Justice Landau, he agreed that the accused's cooperation with the police and his admission of guilt at his trial could serve as mitigating circumstances when punishment is meted out, even though given as a result of a deal with the prosecution. But the fact that the appellant in the present case had apparently been given to understand that this was inevitable in the case, might have misled him into making his admission. For this reason only he thought that the appellant should be allowed to withdraw his appeal and that the case should be returned for trial to the District Court. Appeal allowed. Judgment given on March 28, 1972.

Guatemalan Nobel Laureate due here

Miguel Angel Asturias, 1967 winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature, will be coming to Jerusalem this week to give a lecture series at the Hebrew University, on April 23, 24 and 25.

The 78-year-old Guatemalan author, who had visited Israel in the 1920s, is best known for works which describe the peasant life and political upheavals of his country. His earlier visit here produced a volume of poems, including one on the Western Wall. Mr. Asturias's present visit is co-sponsored by the University and the Institute for Cultural Relations between Israel and Ibero-America, Spain and Portugal.

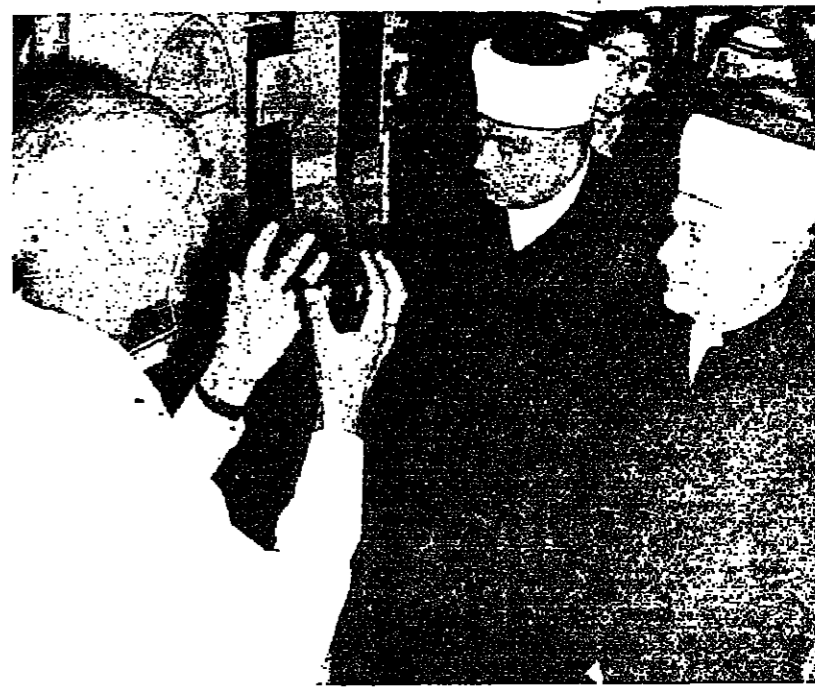
Sudan refugee fund

KHARTOUM (Reuters). — President Ja'afar e-Numeiri has approved a special emergency budget of £2.5m. to help the return of some 200,000 refugees from neighbouring states to South Sudan.

The Khartoum daily "Al-Sahafa" reported that the money will be spent on transport and housing for the refugees.

The refugees are returning following the agreement negotiated in Addis Ababa last month ending 16 years of conflict between the South Sudan Liberation Front and the Sudan Government.

Several countries are helping the return of the refugees from neighbouring countries.



A pictorial exhibition on the development of Arab architecture, organised by the Israel Centre for the Promotion of Islamic Art, went on show at the Hebron Town Hall last week. Simha Yom-Tov, of Kibbutz Raika, an architect and a Centre member, is seen here explaining Islamic architecture to Hebron Mayor Sheikh Mohammed Ali Ja'abari (right) and a crowd of visitors at the opening ceremony. (Studio Hebron)



Danes today celebrate their National Day. April 16 was chosen this year as it is the birthday of Queen Margrethe II. Margrethe, who is 32 today, is the youngest queen in the world, in the world's oldest monarchy. She was proclaimed Queen of Denmark on January 15 this year, after the death of her father King Frederik IX. The Danish Ambassador has arranged a concert by the Scandinavian Quartet at Tel Aviv University this evening, with a reception afterwards, to mark the occasion.

Austerity budget for Weizmann I.

BEHOVOT. — Severe economy measures on the campus combined with increased fund-raising efforts in Israel and overseas were decided upon by the Weizmann Institute's Executive Council, meeting last week under Board Chairman Abraham Feinberg.

The Council approved a 1972/73 operating Budget of IL63.4m. as compared to last year's budget of IL57.7m. A five-year IL83m. Development Budget, of which IL16m. is to be spent in 1972/73, was also passed by the Executive Council. Expressing concern at the "total inadequate support" being received from the Jewish Agency, Mr. Feinberg said that this factor, together with steep price and wage increases, had forced the Council to opt for a standstill, austerity budget.

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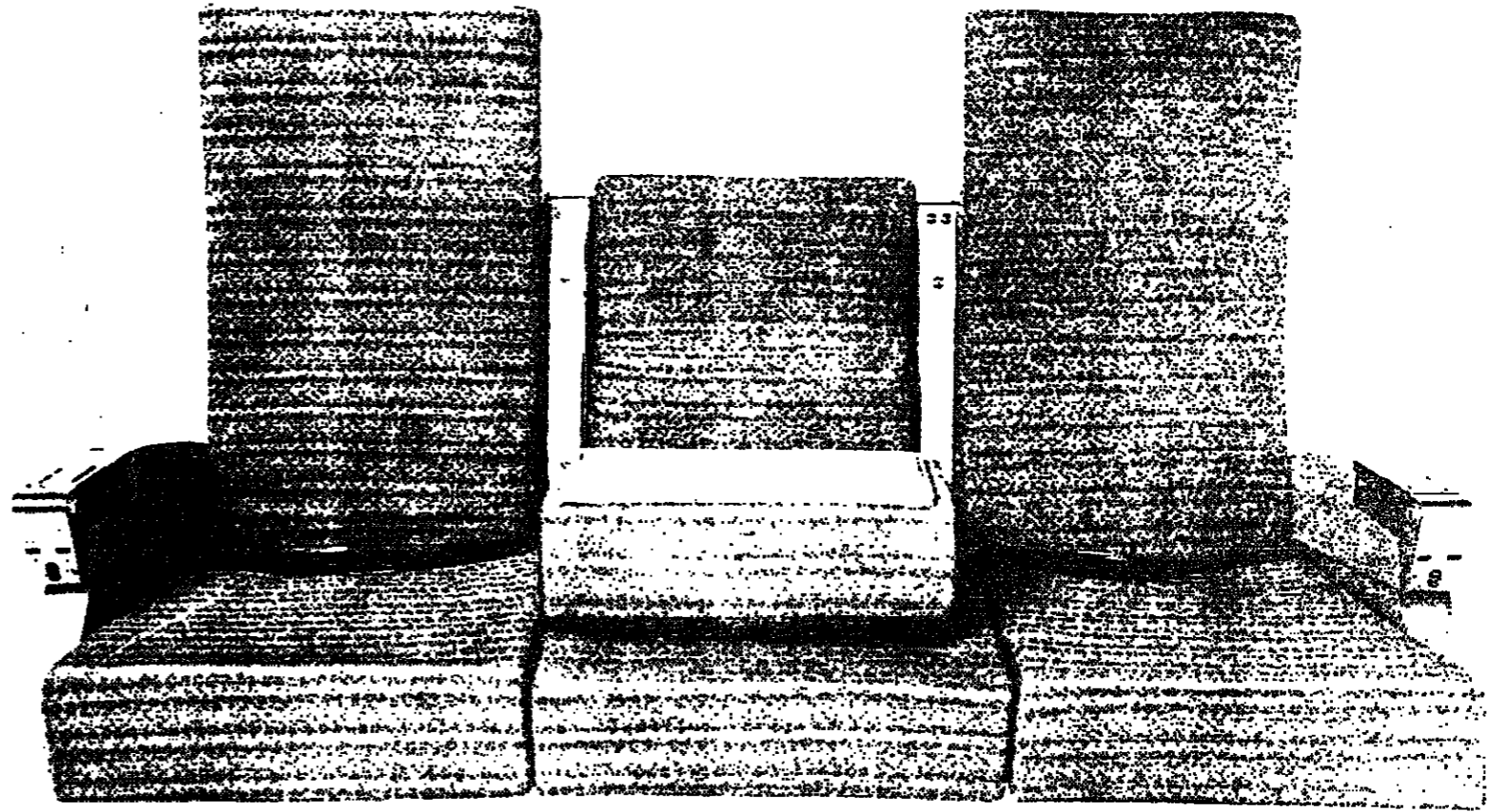
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diction is beautifully clear, and his understanding of the poetry fills his phrases with inner meaning. Interpretation was never exaggerated, nuances were indicated with taste emotions were carefully underplayed. This is particularly praiseworthy in a programme which positively wallowed in dreams of longing and adoration of the female of the species.

That Barry is capable of dramatic accents, he proved in "Ich grolle dich," but otherwise his cultured, soft, voice provided exactly the right vehicle for the chosen music. Occasionally he put in a meaningful pause, an extra breath, to emphasize a full stop in the poem (as, for example, in "Ich hab im Traume gewelnet" where every verse approaches its subject from a slightly different angle). One had the impression that the artists—especially the pianist—were afraid to employ leisurely tempi in case they got bogged down in the quagmire of 19th-century romanticism.

The acoustics of the hall still over-stress the piano and Simon Sargon consequently sounded too loud most of the time. Much as I favour treating the piano part as equal to the singing (especially in Schumann's Dichterliebe), the singer should not be reduced to accompanying the pianist. But as Mr. Sargon is a fine musician and an exceptional collaborator, the dynamics did not mar the pleasure of most of this elegant programme.

YOHANAN BOEHM

MORE ABOUT IMMIGRANTS

Readers' letters

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — When problems connected with immigration are discussed, that is very good. When they are circumvented, when mistakes are repeated and ignored, when the necessary new solutions to old problems are not proposed or are not working, then we all should worry because it may mean the deterioration of a complicated situation and the increase of the credibility gap, the lack of cooperation and of faith in what should be the common task.

When I read the letter, "Mortgages for settlers" (April 3), I found two issues in it. The first one: Mr. Bardfeld's complaint about a mortgage applied for and denied to him by the Ministry of Absorption; Mr. Bardfeld is even ready to understand that in his case, it should have been so. The second issue deals with the lack of previous information that such an application would be refused and not only that, but the assurance received about its acceptance, information that was given by the representative of the Ministry that is supposed to know all that has to be known about immigration and immigrants.

Mr. Arnon Manter, the Acting Spokesman, answers and answers well, but his sharp technical answer deals with only a part of the issue of that letter. What about the second issue—the misleading information of the representative of the Ministry? Not a single word about it.

The role of the representatives of the Ministry of Absorption is a difficult and complicated one. So much has to be known about so many laws, rights and regulations, and so much has changed over the years, that it is very difficult to get the right answer, the definite one, to each and every one of the questions. Much time is lost and many gratuitous worries are caused to immigrants, that could be saved by better trained and better informed representatives and clerks. In most cases, it is not the lack of goodwill on the part of the representatives or clerks that immigrants have to deal with, it is just

that they seldom find the right person that knows exactly the right answer about the right procedure to go through.

Immigration and its absorption is a big enterprise, much has been accomplished up to now, but so much has still to be accomplished and all that is possible should be done to improve the mechanism of absorption.

DE. NATEAN VISKIN
Jerusalem, April 3.

Sir, — I was amazed to read the statement of the respected Jewish Agency Treasurer, Mr. Arye Dulzitz, who was reported to have stated that "all costs of immigration and absorption are met by world Jewry and are, therefore, no burden on the Israeli tax payer" (March 28). In the course of campaigning over more than 25 years in at least six countries, I have used precisely the opposite argument — and I believe this is the right way to approach the Jews of the world, namely, stressing that the people of Israel bear far more than their share in what is the common burden of world Jewry. The main points should be:

1. Maintaining open doors for immigration is one of the basic causes of our dispute with the Arabs. The physical job of guarding the borders falls exclusively upon the youth of this country at untold cost to them and to the State.
2. More mature citizens are required to spend weeks at a time on reserve duties, again causing untold losses to self-employed people, dislocating business and harming the economy.
3. There is no doubt that the necessity of housing immigrants has caused shortages and higher prices and made it more difficult and expensive for Israelis to acquire homes.
4. The spending of public money on immigration led to constant inflation resulting in repeated devaluations. Each devaluation has reduced the spending power of any money saved by the Israeli resident, so that anyone who started saving in 1948 to buy a home might be just as far from his objective 25 years later.
5. Immigrants arriving here with money have also helped to force prices up beyond the capacity of the local resident.
6. All this, of course, does not rule out Israel's cash contributions in local campaigning and also in taxes covering educational, health and social services which Zionist funds from abroad are inadequate to cover.

Come, come, Mr. Dulzitz! Why abandon the most effective argument in persuading Diaspora Jews to do their duty and relieve the Israelis of having to bear a disproportionate share of the common burden?

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Kfar Shmaryahu, March 29.

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reasons is in any way due to new immigrants who, contrary to popular belief, have to repay Ministry of Absorption loans for housing. One way in which home prices could be brought down would be to impose a 100 per cent tax on the basic house price on any home purchased by non-residents. This could be set aside to increase the funds available for mortgages. If we chose just to hold here for say, three months per year, we could afford to pay the high prices demanded for homes without begging for a mortgage (since we all face a drop in income in Israel, compared to our country of origin). In fact, by letting these homes for the rest of the year, we could earn more money in Israel than we do by living and working here.

NORMAN COHEN

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Lori Cahia, a Californian now living in Haifa, holds the Tora scroll aloft as she celebrates her delayed Bat Mitzva on Masada last week. Lori, who is 16, never had a Bat Mitzva in the U.S., and decided to take advantage of her stay here. Officiating are Rabbis Alan Levine and Hank Skurball, two new immigrant Reform rabbis. (W. Braun)

2% of T.A. children asthmatic, doctors say

By YA'ACOV ARDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — ABOUT two per cent of the school-age children in Tel Aviv suffer from asthma, and the condition of eleven per cent of these is serious. The figure was cited by Drs. Nathan Lass and A. Stern, in the closing session of the 15th scientific national congress of the Israel Pediatric Society at Beit Harofeh last Thursday.

"The role of psychosomatic factors in this illness merits consideration, particularly in difficult cases, unresponsive to treatment," the doctors who work at the Allergy Clinic of the Tel Aviv City Medical Centre and at the Bar-Ilan University School of Social Work, noted in their paper on group work in their treatment of asthmatic children. The children under their observation, aged 9 to 13, had asthma from early childhood "and many of them were absent from school up to 60 days during the previous year."

A new method of treating asthmatic children based on five years' experience of 900 patients with long case histories of attacks, was outlined by Drs. Pinhas Robinson and Yehudit Shaltiel of Jerusalem. Working at the Wizo Child Centre there, they treated the children for an average period of nine months by a predominantly psychological method. Their observation led them to conclude that the asthmatic child as a rule is "egocentric with a low threshold of frustration, impatient and impulsive, hiding a strong need for affection under a mask of either indifference or aggressiveness.... Sometimes defiant and submissive, sometimes stubborn and competitive, with aggressive outbursts: inhibited and shy or overactive and restless."

Children throughout the country, after repeated hospitalization, are treated at the Wizo Centre without medications and prohibitions, with a minimum of restrictions and show of care, "and they are free of attacks." If the child is sensitive or allergic to any object or food, the treatment calls for exposure to it. Physical effort is encouraged. Romping, yes, but not the urge to compete with others....

Physiotherapy aims mainly at giving the children new breathing habits and enabling them, if an asthmatic attack returns, to overcome it themselves, without outside help. The children are made aware that they can be free of attacks, lose their anxiety of a return, and give up their desire to gain attention by them. Parents are made aware of the psychological background and encouraged to give the

children more independence and responsibility within the frame of inevitable restrictions. The doctors found that the parents learn, albeit reluctantly, to regard their children as basically healthy and to allow them more freedom.

The test for the parents comes when the child returns home. It was found that four out of ten children suffered relapses, though in a milder form. "We found that in such cases the parents did not act according to the instructions given them," Drs. Robinson and Shaltiel said. In such cases the parents were referred to mental hygiene clinics. Summing up the new element in their treatment, they noted that "drugs are used sparingly, for symptomatic relief only in those children who continued to suffer from attacks during the initial period of admission. Even a diagnostic examination and treatment with medicine not strictly indicated cause harm to the child."

Tests uncover 320 carriers of Tay-Sachs

WASHINGTON (INA). — Ten couples and about 300 individuals have been declared as carriers of Tay-Sachs disease from among the approximately 7,000 Jews who have been examined in screening programmes conducted in the Washington and Baltimore areas, officials at Johns Hopkins Hospital have disclosed.

(Tay-Sachs disease infantile amaurotic idiocy is a congenital lethal disorder of the nervous system. It occurs at a rate of 1:6,000 Jewish births in the U.S., as compared with 1:500,000 among non-Jews.) The National Capital Tay-Sachs Foundation, founded and largely comprised of parents whose children have been victims of the disease, estimates about 4,000 unknown Jewish carriers of the disease live in the Washington area.

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FROM PERU AID TO JERUSALEM POTTERY

AN American who taught himself pottery in Peru in order to earn money to help educate the illiterate Cuzco Indians has recently begun making ceramics in Jerusalem. He is John Baum, a bearded, affable former professor at Columbia University, who for the last few months has been operating in a workshop at the entrance to the Armenian Quarter, a few hundred metres inside the Jaffa Gate.



The shop is usually filled with friends, tourists and curious onlookers, and against the background of Vivaldi or the flamenco music of Manitas de Plata, the visitor is likely to be invited to try his hand at making something — which is considerably more difficult than it looks.

John Baum at work. (Kraus)

After leaving Peru, he spent a year at the University of Puerto Rico teaching a course in aesthetics and then returned to the U.S. to study ceramics at Alfred University. "I found that I had already learned what most of the students were studying," he says, "and the professors themselves advised me to leave, since they felt that too much time in a classroom would ruin my style."

(He therefore went to London, where he worked for four months at the Hampstead Pottery, and then travelled through Europe, studying ceramics in Copenhagen and wood-firing techniques in Helsinki. He had long planned to come to Israel, and when he arrived here he went first to Ein Harod before settling in Jerusalem.)

After long months of tedious negotiations over endless cups of coffee, he obtained his shop. It looked for a while as if he might have to use the wood-burning techniques he'd learned in Helsinki for firing his pots, but his kiln finally arrived. He is still awaiting the arrival of the wheel he ordered months ago, and meanwhile is forced to use a foot-pedalled model which he offers to sell as a relic of the Turkish occupation. In spite of these handicaps, he and his assistant Elka are turning out a wide variety of excellent plates, pots and pitchers of both traditional and modern design.

JAMES KRAUS

Money is bad for your health

CHICAGO — MONEY is truly dirty — according to a report by two monetary-minded physicians in the Journal of the American Medical Association. The medical sleuths borrowed 62 pennies, 38 nickels, 27 dimes, 33 quarters and fifty papers bills of small denomination, with no discrimination as to the age, sex, colour, or religion of the lender, so that the results would be unbiased. They then cultured the coins and bills.

The investigators — Dr. Berel L. Abrams and Norton G. Waterman, of the Department of Surgery at the University of Louisville School of Medicine — offered a six tongue-in-cheek "Rules to Stay Sterile By":

- "Keep your money in the bank.
- "If you must carry money, carry only large bills, preferably the \$50 and \$100 denominations.
- "Don't make change.
- "Keep your hands out of your pockets. (We have no suggestions as to where else you might keep them.)

"Get rid of your money rapidly. (This isn't much of a problem for most of us.)"

"Campaign against piggy banks. (Particularly for children. They will be contaminated soon enough anyway.)"

The authors concluded sadly, "Despite the importance of this study, the investigators fear that people will continue to handle, fondle and jingle in their pockets — money."

They suggested, however, that in order to further this research, "we will accept and examine any money sent to us. If it is found to be contaminated, we have facilities for its safe disposal."

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FRIDAY'S PRESS Government and El Al workers

Davar (Histadrut), commenting on the El Al maintenance workers' strike...

Haaretz (non-party) believes that if the Government had hesitated, "things would have taken quite a different course..."

Al Hamsishar (Mapam) says that "the labour disputes settlement act does not provide a solution since the first confrontation gave rise to an enforced settlement..."

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CHIEF OF STAFF ELAZAR: Egyptian bid to attack would be 'terrible mistake'

By ZEEV SCHULZ
Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent
TEL AVIV. — Any attempt on the part of Egypt to attack Israel's cities — either with planes or with missiles — would be a "terrible mistake" on its part, the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf David Elazar, said in a televised interview in the weekly news summary on Friday.
Answering questions put to him by military correspondent Ron Ben-Zvi, the Chief of Staff said that "President Sadat's recent remark that he would force Israel to suffer heavy casualties in any future conflict probably revealed intentions of carrying the war over into Israel's inland by means of aircraft and missiles."

Galili warns of complacency about Moscow summit

Minister without Portfolio Israel Galili warned Friday night against "complacency" regarding the forthcoming summit meeting in Moscow. Israel's attitude could not be one of complacent optimism, as if no harm could come to her from that conference, he said.
Addressing the Kibbutz Hameuhad Council at Ma'agan Michael, Mr. Galili said the Egyptians were placing their hopes on the Soviets' applying pressure on President Nixon in Moscow in order to achieve an imposed solution.
Both the Soviet Union and the U.S. must realize that Israel will not agree to imposed solutions that would deprive her of defensible borders. Israel will not return to the former borders, which are almost indefensible, he said.

Burg denies Unterman has decided to stand

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Interior Minister Dr. Yosef Burg denied on Friday that Aahkneah Chief Rabbi L.Y. Unterman told him he would stand again for office.
In a statement made "after certain press reports," Dr. Burg admitted that he spent two hours last night with the Chief Rabbi. But, the Minister said, Rabbi Unterman had spoken of the "various factors pertinent to his decision whether or not to stand." He did not state explicitly that he had reached a final decision.
Dr. Burg stated categorically that one of the religious ministers had never brought pressure to bear on Chief Rabbi Unterman.
It is learnt, however, from the most reliable sources that Rabbi Unterman has indeed decided to run or re-election; an official statement to this effect is expected shortly.

W.J.C. wires Bolivian F.M. on Altmann-Barbie

The shelter given by Bolivia to Nazi criminal Klaus Altmann-Barbie casts a shadow on the liberal tradition of Latin America, the Liberal branch of the World Jewish Congress said in a cable to Bolivia's Foreign Minister, Dr. Mario Juterrez, currently visiting in Israel.
The cable, signed by Prof. Israel Levin for the W.J.C. and by Mr. Joshe Mills for the Anti-Nazi Partisans' Association, welcomes Dr. Juterrez to Israel, and requests that Bolivia take every step necessary to detain Barbie and bring him to justice.

Jewish jurists to meet here in 1973

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Second International Congress of the Association of Jewish Lawyers and Judges is to be held in Israel in the summer of 1973. This was announced here on Friday by High Court Justice Haim Cohn and lawyer Abraham Tori on the eve of their departure for the U.S. to attend a Board meeting of the Association in New York this week. Some 1,000 Jewish members of the legal profession from all parts of the world are expected to attend the congress, they said.

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For particulars and registration forms regarding one or both courses apply to the Ministry of Labour, Training and Vocational Training Division, 15 Rehov Yona Hainavi, Tel Aviv.

B'sheba couples' strike enters second week

BEERSHEBA. — The sit-down strike of nine young Beersheba couples outside City Hall today enters its second week. The couples are demanding adequate housing, having rejected a Housing Ministry offer of asbestos huts in the Meshke Ezer quarter as below standard.
Speaking to the couples on Friday, Superintendent Yitzhak Berkowitz of the Negev police promised them he would arrange a meeting today with the director of the Housing Ministry's Negev District, Mr. Zvi Oren.
Meanwhile, a U.S. TV news crew has come down to Beersheba to film the miniature "tent-city" put up by the couples on the lawn opposite City Hall.



"Tent-City" outside Beersheba City Hall. (Ben-Adi)

Supreme Court upholds right to resist unlawful arrest

The right of a citizen to resist unlawful arrest was reaffirmed by the Supreme Court in Jerusalem last week. It reversed the decision of a lower court which had sentenced a young man to nine months' imprisonment for "interfering with a policeman" who arrested a young woman in his company.
The story began in January 1971, when a police patrol stopped a tender on the road leading to the seashore near Tel Baruch. In the tender were Zion Shimshi, 25, Ya'acov Cohen, 27, and a girl named Marcelle Eliaz.
Sergeant-Major Haim Lidi stopped the vehicle, demanded the girl as a known prostitute, and announced he was arresting her for vagrancy and prostitution. The girl protested, saying she was with friends and was not engaged in prostitution that evening. When Lidi and another policeman tried to drag her off by force her two companions tried to interfere with the arrest by holding on to her.
Shimshi and Cohen were convicted in the Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court of interfering with the policeman in the line of duty. They were fined IL250 each, or 50 days in jail.

Cheap marriage, cheap divorce

HAIFA. — The Rabbinical Court last week agreed to award the divorce of a wealthy man almost of only IL900 per month — at her own request.
The couple had been married for over 20 years, and the husband is known as one of Haifa's richest men, with a monthly income of several thousand pounds and property valued at over a million.
Asked by Court President Rabbi Yitzhak Rosenthal why she was asking for so small a sum, the woman replied that, during the 20 years she had lived with her husband, she had got used to spending money in a very miserly fashion — and she did not expect to change her habits now.

IL Im. pledged for P. Koenig Soldiers' Hostel

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — A Tel Aviv businessman has pledged IL1m. towards the completion of the Gen. Pierre Koenig Soldiers' Hostel. The donor, Shaul Eisenberg, visited the newly completed hostel near the Central Bus Station on Friday, in the company of a French delegation headed by the president of the Senate, Mr. Alain Pöher.
Mr. Pöher said it had been "extremely appropriate" to name the hostel after Gen. Koenig, whose two great loves had been the army and Israel. "He appreciated soldiers on the battlefield, and he was concerned that they receive good rest and recreation on furloughs. I am sure that this hostel will serve the Israeli forces, whom he considered model soldiers," Mr. Pöher said.
Gen. Koenig had been president of the Maritime Fruit Carriers group of companies, which donated IL2m. towards the IL6m. building. Company heads Y. Meridor and M. Brenner, as well as the French Military Attaché and the French Consul in Haifa, were present during the visit.

Trust fund for psychology training to Hebrew University

Teaching and research in psychology at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem will be furthered by a generous bequest from a South African Jewish community leader.
The bequest is from the Alexander Frankel Trust and has been left to the Hebrew University, in accordance with the late Mr. Frankel's wish, by his widow, Lenke Frankel, who died in London in 1957. Negotiations for the use of the funds were finalized recently.
Fifty per cent of the capital of the bequest is donated to the Hebrew University outright, to be used for research and training, in Israel and abroad, in psychotherapy or related problems. The other 50 per cent is donated on the understanding that the University shall, for a period of seven years, use the income for supporting research and education in psychotherapy at Ben Shimon (a youth village) and Neve Tze'elim (a children's institution), both in the Tel Aviv area.

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Man held for blowing up car

TEL AVIV. — A member of the Egged bus cooperative from Holon was arrested Friday morning on suspicion of blowing up the car of a police sergeant, his former brother-in-law, Mordechai Ackerman, 34, either personally or through hirelings, blew up the car in the pre-dawn hours of last Thursday, according to police, who asked the Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court Friday that he be held without bail. The car was blown up with a Mills-4 handgrenade, which also damaged two other cars parked nearby.
Detective Sergeant-Major Yehazkel Nahum told the court the bombing was carried out because of quarrels between Ackerman and his divorced wife, the sister of Sergeant Mendelson Ackerman, he said, carried a grudge against Sergeant Mendelson because he believed the sergeant was instrumental in having files on his complaints against his former wife closed without actions being taken on them.
Judge Yosef Megory-Cohen instructed that Ackerman be released on IL2,000 bail, but agreed to police request to hold him for 48 hours, pending appeal of the decision to the District Court. (Itm)

Rabbis' grandson charged in theft of IL35,000

NAZARETH. — A grandson of the Sephardi Rabbi of Tiberias was charged in the District Court here Friday with stealing IL35,000 from his grandfather's flat and spending it all "on a good time."
According to the charge sheet, the accused, Netanel Chelouche, 19, of Netanya, broke into the flat of his grandfather, Rabbi Menashe Waknin, in August 1969 and stole a packet containing IL20,000 from a closet in his study. In June 1971 he broke in again through a window and took an additional IL15,000.
The accused spent all the money on amusements, the charge sheet said. The money, deposited with the rabbi by various persons, had been earmarked for public projects. No date for the trial has yet been set. (Itm)

Gas station held up, only IL130 taken

Jerusalem Post Reporter
ASHDOD. — A Paz petrol station, near the entrance to the port, was held up by an armed youth at midnight Friday.
The youth, armed with a pistol but unmasked, jumped out of a white car and threatened the attendant with the gun, while an accomplice waited at the wheel with the engine running. The two took the attendant's money pouch, containing IL130, and sped toward Tel Aviv. A police dragnet launched shortly after the hold-up failed to bring any results.
Police officials noted that the new system of strong-box deposit of cash receipts is responsible for the small amount of cash taken, and lauded the system.

Week-long housing parley ends; ministerial c'ttee to see report

By DAVID LENNON
Jerusalem Post Financial Reporter
Housing Minister Ze'ev Sharef will bring the recommendations of a week-long dialogue of overseas and Israeli housing experts before the special ministerial committee which is currently seeking ways of speeding home construction and combating the spiralling prices.
Speaking at the conclusion of the discussions on Friday, Mr. Sharef admitted that not everything that the overseas participants had suggested was new; but he noted that the participants at the symposium in the past and presented as background material to the participants at the start of the discussions last week.
The recommendations call for reduced taxes on imported building materials, training of more manpower for the industry, speeding up the approval procedures for the granting of design and construction permits, the granting of longer-term contracts by the Government to building companies, improving land allocation, and others.
One aspect of the housing problem here which was not considered by the Committee was the provision of long-term, low-interest mortgages which would make home purchase easier. Speaking at the concluding press conference, Jewish Agency Chairman Arye Pincus said that he intends taking this matter up with Finance Minister Sapir, and he promised that he would now work to establish another committee composed of overseas and local participants to study this problem.
Speaking in a special interview with The Jerusalem Post, Mr. Alan Elliott, managing director of the giant British construction company Bovis, stressed that Israel must develop mortgage financing in order to ensure the consumer's ability to buy the housing which is being constructed.
In general, he said, he had found and to create a stable building industry in the long term.
"One of the key problems facing a committee of this nature is to ensure implementation and follow-up, and for this purpose we have decided to have a continuing committee. The next meeting is already planned for the autumn to see what has happened to our recommendations. If nothing seems to have moved then, we will start to make noise and to apply pressure," he stated.
Prof. Samuel Aron of the School of Architecture and Urban Planning at U.G.L.A. explained to The Post that there can be "miracles." Anyone who says that they can cut building time or costs by 50 per cent is deceiving himself. There is no short-term answer.
There is no technological solution to cut cost or time by half; but there are imperative steps that should be taken, he stated. He also noted that he sensed a greater awareness of the urgency of the problem on the part of the authorities now, as compared to last summer, when he studied the problem here for two months.
"The goal of housing is people, and the problem is people — the user, the contractor and the worker. We have to make the institutional restraints play a positive role and work with technology to achieve the goal of meeting the needs of the people," he explained.
Prof. Aron believes that with some eight Government Ministries currently involved in the various aspects of housing this quite clearly shows the need for the establishment of an Urban Development Ministry which would replace the multiplicity of bodies currently sharing responsibility. His suggestion will probably be taken up at the next meeting of the committee.



Alan Elliott

Mr. Jack Weiler, the American builder who was the initiator and chairman of the Committee, explained that the aim was to build better houses faster and at lower cost. While stressing that Israel had made remarkable strides in serving its growing housing needs, he noted the need to plan and rationalize the complete building process. The Committee found that many kinds of delays — delays due to manpower shortages, the non-availability of equipment and materials, bureaucratic decision-making, lack of planning and organization, inability to readily adopt innovations, and other constraints — are costing the economy hundreds of millions of pounds annually.
After dividing up the work among three subcommittees which studied People, Institutional Constraints, and Technology, the Committee concluded that the overriding factor is the need for sound planning — not only on each project, but in the entire building delivery process in both public and private sectors. "It is not technology or industrialization per se; however, with good management and the removal of crippling constraints, technical innovations can flourish and take their proper place," the report states.
The report then goes on to list a dozen recommendations, most of which were already stressed in reports on construction in Israel carried out for the Ministry of Housing

Who needs a licence?



Shikun Ovdim last week began work on the fourth floor of this building in Kiryat Yovel in Jerusalem but the firm only has a municipal building permit for three. It intends to build eight stories on the site. (Bar-Nir)

Chicago bank gets authority to finance imports

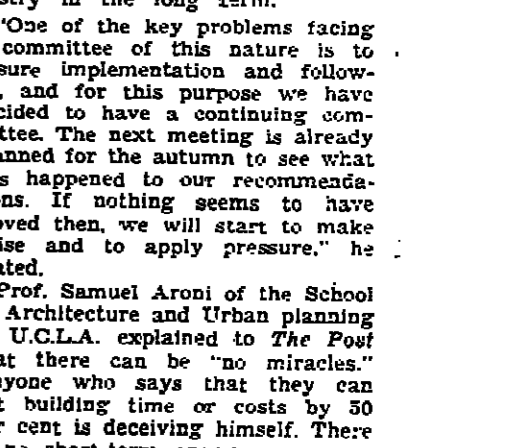
Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter
The Exchange National Bank of Chicago (which has a branch in Tel Aviv) has been granted authority to finance imports of machinery and equipment from the U.S. on suppliers' credit terms.
Like the American Export-Import Bank, which advances credit through the Industrial Development Bank and other Israeli financial institutions, Exchange National will advance credit from its own resources — but directly to local customers. It finances up to 90 per cent of orders, with repayment over five years, at competitive interest-rates (plus insurance against devaluation).
Controls in Israel limit the use of such credit to approved imports. According to Mr. Aviezer Chelouche, general manager of the bank in Israel, there is no upper limit to the volume of loans, except the usual legal ceiling on advances to a single customer.

Boy electrocuted in Haifa cowedshed

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — A 15-year-old boy was electrocuted yesterday while repairing an electric shearing machine in the cowedshed behind his home in the suburb of Kiryat Stanz. The boy, Shai Gelband, died shortly after admission to hospital.
The police are investigating the accident.

Co-op dental lab for the North

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — The Labour Council has pledged support for a cooperative dental laboratory, the first of its kind in the country, according to the Council spokesman. It was formed by 11 newcomers, on the basis of a market survey which showed that there is a demand for dental technicians. Kupat Holim is prepared to offer work commissioned by its clinics throughout the North.
The clinic calls for an investment of IL200,000 for equipment, materials and salaries (at the rate of IL700 gross) for the first six months. The 11 men are to get the loan from the Jewish Agency and from the Cooperative Centre of the Histadrut. They have all been in the country less than six months and have worked as dental technicians for at least seven years. They were given an introductory course at the Mazour Trade School here to acquaint them with local conditions.



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